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SUBJECT: PORTUGAL TO ATTEND MAY GLOBAL INITIATIVE PLENARY

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On April 17 Pol-Econ officer shared the 2009 Plenary Meeting agenda and reftel points with Portuguese MFA Deputy Director for Non-Proliferation Joao Fins do Lago jointly with Dutch and Russian representatives. Fins do Lago said Portugal remains committed to Global Initiative efforts and will participate in the May meeting, but the level of participation and possible speaking roles at the meeting are still under discussion. Fins do Lago also said Portugal is considering hosting future GICNT activities pending review of available resources and coordination with other events.

For more reporting from Embassy Lisbon and information about Portugal, please see our Intelink site:

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